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**MARRIAGE.**  
At No. 18, Nanking Road, Shanghai, on the 31st October, at 8.30 p.m., in the presence of U. S. Vice-Counsel, Dr. J. R. Hykes, by Rev. J. L. Stewart, assisted by Dr. Henry M. Woods, Rev. Lacy J. Little to Miss Ella C. Davidson.

**The Daily Press.**  
HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, November 4th, 1903

The action of the Allies in the north which is reported by our London telegram is, it is to be presumed, part of the general plan of operations under Court von WALDERSSE's command. What that general plan is, we have no means as yet of knowing; but it is plain that it includes a forward movement of a more extensive character than was at first anticipated, outside military circles at least. The operations in Southern Chihi have resulted in the practical clearance of the Boxers and disbanded troops from the environment of Paotingfu, and it appears that the Germans and British at least, if not any other of the allied forces, have pushed up rapidly toward the Chihi-Shansi frontier. Finding the Chinese holding the Tschinking Pass, the Anglo-German contingent proceeded to carry that pass, the necessary flanking movements being entrusted to the Bengal Infantry. This advance is in logical accordance with the warning given that hostilities cannot cease until China gives the Powers the necessary satisfaction. This is precisely what the Imperial Government delays doing. Various conflicting edicts have been issued, some going half way to meet the wishes of the Powers, others defiant; and plainly there is no unity of sentiment yet at the Court nor honest intention on the part of the majority to give reparation for the crimes committed against foreigners. The Emperor can at present have little voice in the matter of Decrees, and if Prince TUAN has actually fled to Mongolia, we may perhaps be right in assigning to the Empress Dowager the main control—if such it can be called—of affairs at Court. While this dishonest and vacillating policy continues, the Allies have no option but to prosecute hostilities with all possible vigour before the winter sets in. Shang-

hai rumours suggest that there is a want of unity once more among the Powers and that several nations are disregarding Count von WALDERSSE's commands. It seems, however, that Great Britain is acting loyally in the spirit of the compact and the battle on the Shansi frontier confirms this idea. The full story of the capture of Paotingfu is not yet to hand. The Tientin correspondent of the *North China Daily News* telegraphed on the 30th ult.:—"The column is returning from Paotingfu. The French "action has entirely subverted the plans of the Allies. The British will not stay at Paetingfu. One third of the German force will probably occupy the city with the French." Later he modified this statement, saying that news direct from Paoting threw a more favourable light on the situation, and that the British were represented in the occupation of the town. The facts of the case we shall probably hear some day, though we may have to wait for the home papers for the information, as has been the case more than once during the present crisis. To a certain extent we cannot complain of the suppression of news, when, as so often happened in South Africa, it is impolitic to allow plans and movements to become public property before they are beyond the danger of frustration. The ignorance in which we are kept is unfortunately none the less tantalising for this. As items of news come to hand, bit by bit, we begin to have some idea of what is going on and even of the course which events may take. So now we are at liberty to think that the forward policy will continue as long as possible until the Chinese Government desists from its present line of conduct and shows a genuine desire for peace, which must be evidenced not by mere protestations but by the actual surrender of the arch-criminals, which the Powers demand as an earnest of that desire. Hitherto the obvious intention of the Court has been to pretend anxiety to give satisfaction while by various ruses the escape of the guilty parties has been contrived. If Prince TUAN is now out of reach, and two or three of his worst associates "officially dead," it will be practically impossible to secure their persons. But it is not impossible that they should be proscribed and all their honours, and what will affect them more, all their property taken from them. This latter item may well go toward the indemnity which China will have to pay when the settlement at length comes. It will be noticed that native official reports of the demands of the Foreign Powers put the indemnity at four hundred million taels, to be paid off in instalments in the space of sixty years. We refrain from comment on the terms of these reported demands, as there is no confirmation of them from non-Chinese sources; but it may be noted that though Prince TUAN's perpetual imprisonment is stipulated in them nothing is said of the punishment of others almost as guilty. If it be thought that such punishment is assumed as a preliminary to peace, we may well ask, Why then is Prince TUAN's execution not to be a preliminary, since he is the worst offender? There are many other points in the demands which would invite criticism, were the authenticity of the document guaranteed. It is clearly waste of time to discuss them without our guarantees. But we hope that the actual demands will differ in many particulars from those which appear in the Chinese version.

Consul-General and Mr. Wildman have returned to Hongkong from Manila.

A Chinaman fell from a scaffolding at Hongkong Dock on Friday last and was killed.

Mr. George Grimble's Organ Recital takes place this afternoon at the Union Church, at 5.45 p.m. The programme appears in another column.

A powder magazine exploded at Nanking on the 30th ult. by lightning. There were many killed and injured and much property was destroyed.

On Saturday night a Chinaman was found lying down in Aberdeen street with a fractured skull supposed to have been caused by a fall from a verandah. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died shortly afterwards.

Chun Yung Tung, 36, said to have been a cook at Thomas's Grill Rooms, on Saturday night fell from the roof of a house at 36 Aberdeen Street. He was picked up by the police and conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died three hours later.

No fresh plague cases or deaths were reported during the 24 hours ending on noon on Saturday. This made the seventh day without a case of plague. It will be remembered that the practice hitherto ruling has been that when seven consecutive days have passed without a case of plague occurring the port is declared free from infection.

The following cable message was despatched on Saturday night by the German commercial community at Hongkong:

To His Excellency the Chancellor of the German Empire, Count von Bülow, Berlin. The German commercial community of Hongkong respectfully beg to express their approbation of the Anglo-German Agreement with reference to the situation in China.

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Major William B. Schenck, U. S. Volunteers, at present at Manila, has been appointed additional paymaster with the Peking Field Force.

A football match played at the Happy Valley on Saturday between teams of H.M.S. *Tamar* and H.M.S. *Argonaut* (gun-room) resulted in a win for the former by one goal to nil.

On Saturday morning the Fire Brigade was turned out to a fire at No. 148, Des Vœux road, an earthenware shop. They found some wood-work in the kitchen ablaze, but soon extinguished the flames.

To-day at 4.30 p.m. the Hongkong Football Club play a match against the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, company not specified. The entries for the Challenge Shield competition, we are informed, will close on the 15th prox. With the return of the R. W. F. a good season will be anticipated.

According to Mr. Acting Consul J. Stewart Black's report on the trade of Chihli for last year, the imports from Yunnan were estimated at about 600 mule loads. The number of mules engaged in this trade in 1902 was reckoned at about 1,000. The principal merchandise imported is opium, native hats, beeswax, silks, and fur jackets, but the total value of the whole trade does not exceed £12,000.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospital:—

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Kwang Tung Yuen	5
Kwang Wa Yuan	5
Kwan Wo Lung	5
Sums under £5	43

Amont the late shipment of horses at San Francisco for the German Government the *S.E. Call* says:—"A great deal has been written about the quick despatch given the German transport *Samoa*. It took two days to put 850 horses aboard her. In four hours 733 horses were put aboard the United States transport *Strathgyle*. The *Strathgyle* is the best fitted out horse transport in the world, and the *Samoa* is away behind her both in her electric fittings and appliances for the comfort of the animals.

Accompanying the announcement of Mr. Winston Churchill's success in his parliamentary candidature, comes another and much greater success in life. He has won the hand of Miss Marjorie Wilson, the youngest daughter of Arthur Wilson, master of Trinity Croft, where the Prince of Wales and Sir William Gordon-Cumming played the baccarat that shocked British society a few years ago. Miss Wilson is called the best amateur actress in England, and, according to a London paper, is tall and stately, with a figure superb and striking.

A gang of "beachcombers" of different nationalities, numbering eleven, stowed-away on board the s.s. *Arab* while she was in Kobe last month. They managed to hide themselves in the after-hold till the pilots had left the ship, and then came on deck. It was then impossible to put them ashore, and the only remedy left was to make them work their passage to Manila, where, on arrival, they were handed over to the police. According to what their leader informed a *Manila Times* reporter last Tuesday they had plenty of work to do, but complained that the food given them was both insufficient in quantity and bad in quality. They were under the impression that as they had worked their passage across, they had paid for their trip. They were doomed to disappointment, however, adds the *Times*, and will appear before Judge Whitsett to answer a charge of stowing away, thus depriving the *Arab* of the passage money due in the ordinary manner: they seem to be of opinion that they are entitled to some consideration in view of the hard work entailed in looking after horses which were also shipped on the transport.

Captain Hixson, R. N., who had command of the *Salamis* with the Australian contingent to China, and who was compelled to give over command to Captain Gillissie R. N. in consequence of ill-health, has returned to Sydney where he has been airing his opinions about Hongkong to a representative of the *Sydney Mail*. In the first place he says that Hongkong in the summer time is one of the hottest places on earth. As a port, its trade is immense, and when the *Salamis* was there, in addition to a navy of merchant vessels, warships were arriving and departing every day. The utmost haste was exhibited by all callers, states Captain Hixson, and directly every thing needed was aboard the *Salamis* she steamed away full speed for the seat of war. Of course the presence, even for so short a time, of many foreign officers of distinction caused a good deal of excitement. Captain Hixson found that in the courtesies which were incidental to the time he was by no means overlooked. He was hospitably received by the Governor, Sir. Henry Blake, and most kindly entertained by Commodore Powell, R. N., naval officer in charge at Hongkong, who will be remembered in Sydney, years ago, as first-lieutenant of the *Nelson*, under Commodore Erskine. By invitation, Captain Hixson stayed at the Commodore's house in the *Regatta*, Hongkong, a stirring place, the Captain declares. "To see the businesslike air of its population, note the rapid growth followed there, and then realize that 600,000 people of whom 10,000 are Europeans, make the port one of the greatest in the world, and it is hardly credible, as is the fact, that 50 years ago this locality was occupied by only a few fishermen."

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A decree was published in the French *Journal Officiel* of the 30th August, extending the application of the Minimum Tariff to colonial produce provisionally until the 31st December next.

The transport *Hancock* arrived at Manila last Monday afternoon after a twenty-one days' actual steaming time from San Francisco. That is said to be a record passage across the Pacific to the Philippines. The *Hancock* brought over twelve hundred coloured troops, and \$1,253,000 in gold coin for the pay of the military in Manila.

A London telegram of September 28th says: William K. Vanderbilt has given a unique gift of \$500,000 (gold) to his daughter, the Duchess of Marlborough. The gift is in the nature of a thank-offering for the Duke of Marlborough's safe return from the war in South Africa. The Duchess, accompanied by the Duke, is now in Paris investing the money in antique furniture and decorative articles for the house now building for her in Mayfair. Further honours are in store for the Duke. He is said to be selected for appointment as Lord Lieutenant, or Viceroy of Ireland, in place of Earl Cadogan, who will retire after the general elections just completed. The Viceroy of Ireland has a salary of £2,000 a year, two residences and allowances and three months' pay in advance for his troops.

**LONDON TELEGRAMS.****"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.****THE CRISIS IN CHINA.**

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

SHANGHAI, 4th November, 9.5 p.m.

**BLACK FLAGS IN HUNAN—LIU YUNG-FU REFUSES TO RETURN.**

Liu Yung-fu has arrived at Changsha, in Hunan, with 3,000 Black Flags. He has received orders from Te Shan, the Manchu Governor of Kwangtung, to return to Canton, where things are critical, but he declines to move without receiving arrears and three months' pay in advance for his troops.

**Li Hung-chang.**

Li Hung-chang has ordered all military officers in Chihli to return to their posts with all their scattered soldiers and to report directly the summary beheading of all officers who are also Boxers.

**SUPPRESSING THE BOXERS.**

The head men of the villages are ordered to raise and drill militia to suppress the Boxers and bandits.

LONDON, 2nd November, 9.15 p.m.

**DEALING JUSTICE AT PAOTINGFU.**

A French despatch states that the International Commission has sentenced to death the Tartar Governor of Paottingfu and a Chinese colonel for the murder of missionaries.

LONDON, 3rd November, 8.40 p.m.

**HEAVY FIGHTING ON SHANSI FRONTIER—ENGLISH AND GERMANS STORM A PASS.**

Heavy fighting is reported to have occurred on the frontier of Shansi province. An Anglo-German force stormed the Tschinking Pass.

**BENGALS IN ACTION.**

The Bengal Infantry scaled the heights and turned the flanks of the Chinese army.

**THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.**

LONDON, 3rd November, 8.40 p.m.

**LORD ROBERTS ON THE ARMY—HEROES AND GENTLEMEN.**

Lord Roberts's letter to the nation glorifies the conduct of the British army in the South African campaign. They behaved, he says, like heroes and gentlemen. Nothing deserving the name of a crime was brought to his notice throughout the War.

**APPEAL AGAINST "TREATING."**

He appeals to the public not to let come the returning soldiers by "treating" them to excess.

**LOD KITCHENER TO TAKE COMMAND.**

Lord Kitchener succeeds Lord Roberts on his departure for England.

**GENERAL NEWS.**

LONDON, 2nd November, 9.15 p.m.

**THE NEW MINISTRY.**

The forecast previously telegraphed of the new Cabinet is correct.

**THE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION AND THE FILIPINOS—BRYAN AND AGUINALDO.**

Omaha advises received state that the Filipino officers have held a conference, at which they showed a full inclination to accept the amnesty offered by President McKinley and to revoke their orders for further hostilities. Their action, however, was prevented by the reported promises of Mr. Bryan to give the Filipinos independence under U. S. protection, if elected to the Presidency. Aguinaldo insisted that aggressive warfare would aid Bryan's election.

**REUTER'S SERVICE.**

LONDON, 1st November.

**BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.**

It is stated at Durban that the Gordons and their contingent's *Regiment* are improving. They leave for England in a hospital ship as soon as possible. The suffering they experienced were terrible.

Sir Walter Miller has returned from Shanghai to Tientsin.

The Marquess of Granville has been attached to the staff of General Grazele.

**LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.**

The Imperial German Mail as *Hamburg* which left here on the 3rd October arrived at Genoa on Friday the 2nd inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s steamer *Empress of China* left Yokohama on Friday, 2nd inst., for Victoria and Vancouver.

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## RUGBY FOOTBALL.

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## V.

## GREAT PLAYERS OF THE PAST.

To cover more than a small portion of the ground indicated by the title of this article is obviously impossible. Not one but many columns could be filled with memories and criticisms of the great players of the past, and the most that I can hope to do is to deal with some of the more prominent exponents of the game with whom I have come into personal contact. Not to waste space in moralising upon departed greatness, let me plunge boldly and at once into the task before me.

LEONARD STOKES,  
Wherever the history of Rugby football is known the name of Leonard Stokes is remembered. He was the ideal three-quarter of the early days. Rugby football was not then what it is now. It demanded more of the individual, and it gave him less. In other words, while modern science makes chances for the present, day three-quarter, and demands of him that he shall do his part and then give a comrade the finishing of the work, in the old days three-quarter had largely to make his own chances, and he was expected to turn that chance to the greatest possible use with little consideration for anything except scoring or making ground. Thus a man learned to be more self-reliant than in the modern game, and individualism was the order, it naturally followed that very fine individual performances resulted. Probably no finer dual player than Leonard Stokes ever appeared at three-quarter. He played in the days of two three-quarters and three, and he displayed every quality which goes to the making of the great player—great kicking powers, wonderful judgment, resource and courage. Alike in attack and defence he was wonderful. His immense kicks to touch, his capacity for dropping goals, his ability to cover the whole field of defence, are part of the history of football. I saw him first at Newport, when Blackheath inflicted upon the Newport team the first defeat in the club's history, after four seasons of invincibility ; I played against him as a boy when Blackheath played their second match at Newport ; and I think of him to this day as a man who was in the very forefront of his generation, a player who would have been great at whatever period it had been his lot to share the struggles of Rugby football. He was the first great three-quarter I ever saw, or played against, but I have played with and against many since then, and one of the greatest was W. E. MacLagan, the giant Scot.

MACLAGAN, HANCOCK, LEE.  
Between the period of Stokes and MacLagan an advance which has continued and must continue. MacLagan I regard as having reached the highest standard of scientific play known till his day. In height, weight, and strength he had an advantage over most of his contemporaries. He was a great kick, and, when he ran, his weight and strength made him most dangerous. As for his tackling, it was of a back-breaking order, and the man who fell into his hands was smothered. But it was as a general on the field that he particularly shone. He often did what few captains have the courage or foresight to do—he shifted his men in order to search out the weak spots in the opposing team or to strengthen his side against the attacks of his opponents. MacLagan was an ideal captain, and a great exponent of centre play under the three three-quarter game. In F. E. Hancock we have another centre three-quarter who, less prominent as an individual, deserves to be included in this series as the originator of a system which revolutionised back play in the Rugby game. Hancock was the father of the four three-quarter system, now universally adopted. He was a good player in all departments of the game, and represented Wales in the great game when Wales secured her first victory against England, but it is for the origination and development of the Welsh style of play that he will chiefly be remembered. One more great centre, and I will pass on to the other positions. Leonard Stokes represents the period of early individualism by judgment ; MacLagan was essentially the man of the three three-quarter game ; Hancock brought in the modern game, and saw and developed its possibilities ; Sam Lee, I believe, would have been at home in each period. He played both the three and the four three-quarter game, and he adapted himself to both. This brilliant Irishman was undoubtedly a great player—for dash and adaptability one of the finest centres who ever played. His quickness on the ball was amazing, he was wonderfully smart in intercepting passes, he was a fine runner, and a quick kick, he could catch and take a pass with almost unerring certainty. Ireland has never been better served at three-quarter than by Lee, if so well.

ROTHERHAM AND DON WAUCHEP.  
Among the half-backs I have known I regard Alan Rotherham as the greatest. I played against him, I played in the same team with him, and it is not too much to say that I have never known a halfback who knew the possibilities of the game so well as he did, or turned individual ability and combination to such good account. He was one of Vassall's famous Oxford team ; he played for England in most of their international matches between 1868 and 1887, and though his career in the full football field came to an end while he was still capable of many years' service, he did sufficient in the time that he played to make his own fame and to advance the science of the game.

For a half, he was a heavy weight, for he was about 5 feet 10 in. in height and broad shouldered, but he was very quick in getting away, fairly fast, a clever dodger, and very hard to stop. His judgment was most reliable, and he was a player who used mind as much as

muscle. I regard him as the man who did most to develop the passing game in English football, and he was the first half to make proper openings for the threequarters. In every respect Rotherham was a great player, and though he had no experience under the four three-quarter game there is no doubt in my mind that he would have been great in the football of to-day, had it been his lot to play now, as he was great under the earlier style.

Another great player at half back was A. R. Don Wauchep, the Scottish half, whose wonderful runs have often roused crowds to enthusiasm. It must always be remembered that the old style gave the individual player greater scope than the modern game. There was one man less behind the scrummage, therefore there was less defence to beat, and, in addition, a half or a three-quarter was expected

but the fringe of the subject, but there are a few things which must still be said. Great full backs are not numerous—there are many good ones but few great ones ; the greatest of all was H. B. Tristram. Mention what quality you will as essential in a full back, and he possessed it. To my mind he stands alone among the full backs of the past. And now, when I think of the few great players I have dealt with, and the many who have been left out, I cannot help thinking that my task has been but imperfectly done. I should like to have dealt with Wade and Stoddart, D. J. Macfarlane, Harold Stevenson, T. W. Pearson, Dicky Lockwood, and a host of others playing at three-quarter, half or forward, but it is impossible, and it must be left to another hand or another occasion to treat of those unmentioned players of the past whose names are dear to followers of football. They may be passed over in silence here, but their fame is made, and their great deeds are remembered and quoted when old football gather at the edge of the enclosure in these later days.

## FINE PAIRS OF HALF-BACKS.

Under the four three-quarter game, in which combination has been developed to the highest degree, there have been many fine pairs of half-backs—for under the new system combination is so absolutely essential that it is the pair which counts, not the individual. The most notable instance of half-back combination which has ever been seen was in the case of the brothers David and Evan James, of Swansea and Wales, who worked together with such thorough understanding that they often baffled the defence of their opponents. They had made a study of the possibility of the game, and when it is remembered that both were very dexterous, and that they took and gave passes from one to the other with lightning quickness and perfect accuracy, it will be seen that they were likely to be dangerous to any team whom they opposed. Neither was a great individual player, as Rotherham or Don Wauchep was, though each was above the average, but as a combined pair they reached the highest level yet attained. Another brilliant pair were H. Percy Phillips and F. C. Parfitt, the Newport and Welsh halves. In this partnership the understanding was as perfect as that between the brothers James, but it was Phillips who got the chief share of the glory, since Parfitt almost invariably worked the scrummage, while Phillips did the work in the open. They were men of different types, and one was the complement

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LIVERPOOL DIRECT	TANTALUS	Brit. str.	—	Gregory	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst.
BREMEN, via Ports of Call	BYTEN	Ger. str.	—	H. Bleeker	MELCHERS & CO.	On 14th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c., via Ports of Call	SYDNEY	Fren. str.	—	Aubert	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst. at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SARNIA	Ger. str.	—	Schleske	CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	—	Fork	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 22nd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	—	A. Wagner	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 6th Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	—	J. Jensen	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 30th Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Brit. str.	—	C. Hempel	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On or about 20th inst.
NEW YORK via Suez Canal	HILLGEN	Brit. str.	—	F. Gedye	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	On 25th inst.
NEW YORK	GLENGARRY	Brit. str.	—	O. F. Marshall, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	—	W. Watt	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 26th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, &c.	TAOCMA	Brit. str.	—	J. W. Ekstrand	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, &c.	RIOJUN MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. CO.	On 8th inst. at Daylight.
SAN FRANCISCO via AMOY, &c.	CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO	Amer. str.	—	—	O. & O. S. S. CO.	On 17th inst. at

## POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 3rd November.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

THE BURGLARY AT WANCHAI.  
The two Chinese who were so smartly arrested by Sergeant Ritchie, No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai, in connection with the burglary from a military premises there on the 12th ult., were brought up, and charged.

After formal evidence had been heard, the case was remanded until to-day.

BEFORE MR. HALLIFAX.

GERMAN SAILORS IN TROUBLE.  
Two sailors of the *Kaiserin Augusta*, after a spell at sea, got ashore here on leave on Friday. They had a good time—that is, they got drunk—and wound up the day's enjoyment by "going for" their rickshaw coolies.

The first admitted the charge and was fined 25, with an additional 50 cents compensation for the coolie. The second denied the assault—in fact said he knew absolutely nothing of any row with rickshaw coolies. He and his comrade were looking at some shop-windows preparatory to making purchases; when suddenly a crowd of coolies collected and the police arriving shortly afterwards, they were both arrested.

The explanation was original, but he had to pay out \$5 just the same.

GERMAN CAVALRYMAN NEXT.  
The German army was next represented. A cavalryman was charged with assaulting a Chinese unfortunate in a house in Ship Street.

He pleaded not guilty, but the evidence of the complainant accused his conviction.

His worship said the defendant had not even the excuse that he was drunk. The fine would be \$15.

All the fines were paid.

A TASTE FOR BOOKS.  
John Booth was charged with having stolen books to the value of \$51.50 from the firm of Brower & Company, by whom he was employed as an agent.

A representative of the firm stated that the defendant disappeared on 1st October, and as he did not turn up on the day following, the matter was reported to the police, who succeeded in arresting him.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty, said he had no intention of stealing the books. Through giving extensive credit on board ships, and so on, he had for some time past been earning nothing, and thinking to better himself, he applied for a situation at the dockyard, where he was told that he could start on Monday. His pay would be \$30 per month, and out of this sum he was willing to pay the complaints \$10 per month until the debt was cleared off.

This arrangement being approved, defendant was discharged.

CHARGE AGAINST A WARDER.  
Boyes, the warder who is charged with neglecting his duties on the 2nd inst., and whose case we have already reported, was brought up and formally charged.

He pleaded not guilty, and a remand was made until to-day.

## THE FORTHCOMING RACES.

## TWENTY-TWO WALLETS LOST.

The forthcoming races in Hongkong were being looked forward to with exceptional interest in consequence of the arrangements which were being made to substitute wagers for China ponies. Some 42 ponies were shipped to Brisbane to the order of Mr. Bell, Assistant Secretary at the Hongkong Club, in the Tercentenary. All went well until Manila was reached, but on that port being left some very rough weather was encountered, the result being that 22 of the ponies were killed. This unfortunate occurrence may have the effect of postponing the meeting somewhat. The draw for the remaining ponies took place at Kennedy's Causeway Bay Repository at 3 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

## FOOTBALL.

On Saturday afternoon, at Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club met a team from H.M.S. *Argonaut*. There was a fairly good gathering of spectators. The teams were:

H. K. F. C.—J. M. McCutrie, goal; H. W. Looker, and W. H. Russell, backs; W. W. Clark, A. M. Heattie, and J. G. Smith, half-backs; J. E. Lee, E. J. C. Anderson, T. Yule, S. L. Jenkins, and W. Rutherford, forwards.

H. M. S. *Argonaut*—Holmstrom, goal; Morrison and Erskine, backs; Jarman, Hodge, and Rickaby, half-backs; Callighan, Stevens, Paton, Phillips and Lindsay, forwards.

Referee—Mr. W. H. Howard.

The *Argonauts* kicked off, and Callighan securing the ball, piloted it well inside the home team's defences. Bad judgment, however, lost the *Argonauts* a likely opening, Callighan sending the leather too far to "starboard." Lee got the ball when it was kicked out, and it now looked as though first point was to fall to the home team. He carried it well away, dribbling well and passed to Yule. The latter was "crowded," however, and a fate similar to Callighan's befell Yule's ball—a bye. Callighan, who appeared to be in capital form, again got on to the leather from a foul kick from touch-line, and shot splendidly. Looker tried to save, but kicked into his own goal, and Stevens, on the alert, sent the ball into the net and secured that goal for the navy men. The ball was centred and passed to Lee. A capital exhibition of combined play between the home team's forwards was now given. Lee passed to Anderson, and springing well up the field, had a return pass from Anderson. A long shot gave Rutherford, on the left wing, an opening, and he headed through, thus equalizing the score. Half-time was sounded shortly afterwards.

On the resumption of play, both teams appeared determined on securing the winning point. Kicking on both sides was rather wild, however, and byes were frequent. Looker's play was very consistent, and the others, however, were not to be denied. Passing generally forwards, outwitted Looker, and Stevens, and Phillips added a second goal to their score—a result that was received with vociferous cheering and cat throwing by the thousands watching the game. The home eleven tried pluckily to equalise, but the sailors were the better players, and the game ended in a win for them by two goals to one.

The only regrettable feature of a very enjoyable game was the fact that Mr. Rutherford had to be carried off the field. He was accidentally kicked in the back while playing during the half. After a short rest he returned to the place, but towards the close of the game the hurt became acute, so that he had to give it up. It had not been taken to the medical officer. We trust that Mr. Rutherford's injury is not serious.

## CRICKET.

LADIES' CRICKET CLUB v. HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The H.K.C.C. won this match by 4 wickets on Saturday.

## LADIES' CRICKET CLUB.

Lt. Strong, E.M.L., c Tregor, b Smith 31  
Lieut. Hill, E.W.F., c Tregor, b Smith 12  
Lieut. Higgins, b Smith 4  
Lieut. D. Underwood, b Woodgate 4  
Capt. Lathom, l.b.w., b Smith 5  
Major Dorschill, l.b.w., b Smith 0  
J. F. Noble, o Wall, b Tregor 52  
C. H. P. Hay, o Smith 12  
H. W. Bird, not out 5  
Lieut. Gwyther, E.W.F., b Smith 0  
Lieut. Combe, Wall, R.N. 0  
Byes 4

## TOTAL.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB 198  
Capt. Wall, I.M.S., b Higgins 46  
F. Macleod, a Higgins, b Strong 66  
Capt. Ainslie, run out 37  
Maj. Dyson, A.P.D., b Dorschill, b Strong 13  
Lieut. Lamb, E.M.L., o Hay, b Strong 22  
T. Scrombo Smith, not out 0  
A. G. Scott, o Smith 3  
J. A. Woodgate, not out 3  
Byes 11, leg-byes 3 14

## TOTAL (3 wickets).

Lieut. Tregor, Capt. Knatchbull, and G. A. Woodgate did not bat.

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

L. R. C.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sercombe Smith	23	8	49	5
Woodgate	12	2	63	0
Ainslie	17.1	4	45	3
Tregor	0	0	36	1
H. K. C. C.	0	0	0	0

## TOTAL.

H.M.S. "TAMAR" v. H.M.S. "ASTREA." Played at the Happy Valley on Saturday.

Score:—

## H.M.S. "TAMAR."

H.M.S. "TAMAR."	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rev. Good, R.N., b Gower	5			
Mr. Shattock, E.N., c and b Gower	13			
Mr. Motton, R.N., c and b Carpenter	0			
H. Beale, a Harmer, b Gower	11			
J. H. Low, l.b.w., b Gower	5			
M. Prestley, E.M.L., b Barr	4			
J. Palaeus, b Barr	2			
P. Woods, b Gower	2			
J. Harris, c Kirwan, b Gower	2			
J. de la Motte, o and b Barr	3			
A. Newbold, not out	0			
Extras	4			
Total	85			
N.M.S. "ASTREA."	2			
Knott, o Pollicott, b Hill	0			
Gower, o Harris, b Hill	0			
Carpenter, l.b.w., b Barr	25			
Philbrick, b Barr, b Shattock	15			
Barr, o and b Barr	6			
Hall, b Harmer, b Shattock	0			
Gilmour, o Harmer, b Shattock	0			
Woodgate, not out	7			
Jack, b Shattock	5			
Brown, b Harmer	3			
Ray, o Good, b Barr	0			
Extras	5			
Total	85			

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

INNINGS OF H.M.S. "ASTREA."	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hill	6	0	25	2
de la Motte	1	0	6	0
Shattock	10	2	23	2
Barr	5.0	1	15	5

## The analysis of the other innings is not to hand.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

## "C" MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

The October shoot in connection with the "C" Machine Gun Company for the "Captain Potts Cup" took place at the Association Range, Kowloon, yesterday. Lieut. Underwood registering his first win. The following were the best scores, including the handicap points:

## TOTAL.

Lieut. Underwood	22	26	33	91
Gun. Millar	24	27	25	89
Corp. Gloyne	23	25	23	88
Sergt. Sherman	25	29	27	87
Gun. McCormick	23	29	28	87
Gun. Gaithurst	27	24	17	86

## Winners of sponors.

## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held to-day, Monday, 5th November, at 3.00 p.m.

## BUSINESS.

1.—Financial Minutes. (Nos. 56, 57 and 58.)  
2.—Amendment to Sanitary By-law.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1.—Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide against smoking in certain Naval and Military premises.

2.—Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to facilitate the resumption by the Governor of Crown Lands required for a public purpose.

## R. F. JOHNSTON,

Acting Clerk of Councils.  
N.B.—A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held immediately after the Council.

## THE DEMANDS OF THE POWERS.

We have received from native official sources a copy of the demands of the Foreign Powers as presented by the Foreign Minister to Prince of Ching and Li Hung-chang on the 20th of October, a translation of which we make below:

1.—China to pay an indemnity of 400 million taels, to be paid in instalments in the space of 60 years.

2.—The Viceroys and Governors of provinces to have Foreign Commissioners as their colleagues in the Government of several jurisdictions.

3.—Prince Tuan to be confined in perpetual imprisonment.

4.—China must suppress the Boxers and restore peace within three months.

5.—Russia engages to restore the three Manchurian provinces—Fengtien (Lower), Kirin (Central), and Helingchung (Northern Manchuria)—to China within three months.

6.—Foreign officials are to be employed in the collection of Customs duties, Lekin and Salt taxes.

7.—Reducing expenses, the balance is to be used in the liquidating of China's foreign loans.

8.—The present Heir-apparent to be deprived of his title and position.

9.—Two thousand troops of the various Powers to be retained inside Peking as a garrison, their arrears also to be paid by the Chinese Government.

10.—The various ports in inland Waters to be thrown open to International trade.

The ten demands above quoted appear to be confirmed by the *Shapiro*, which further states that Prince Ching and Li Hung-chang have consented to the first clause, but that in view of the Chinese protest, they have not yet been settled—N.O.

## THE CAPTURE OF SHAN-HAI-KWAN.

The N.C. *Dash*, New Correspondent gives the following details of the capture of Shan-hai-kwan, which are fuller than any other accounts to hand:—

The *Pigmy*, carrying Sir Walter Hillier with the demand for the surrender of the Shan-hai-kwan forts, steamed away from the anchorage at Taku about eleven o'clock on the night of Saturday, the 20th of September. She arrived the next day about noon flying a flag of truce, and immediately landed the envoy with an escort of twelve seamen. As they approached the fort, the officer in charge met the party, addressing them in English. He professed himself ready to fall in with the demands of the Allies and expressed his pleasure that he was to land the forts over to the English, a compliment which must not be interpreted too rigidly as indicating a preference for one foreign devil over another. When would it be convenient to make the transfer? Here came Capt. Greene's opportunity. It is his credit that he did not allow it to pass. There is no time like the present, so it was arranged to land a party there and then, this party to remain in charge whilst the *Pigmy* returned to Taku to report and secure reinforcements. The most that could be spared was eighteen men, and these were speedily landed under the command of Lieut. Briggs, and the *Pigmy* steamed away within four hours of her arrival. This was a risk; and moral courage on the part of Capt. Greene was necessary to shoulder the responsibility of such a step, as the common man of courage on the part of nineteen men without any support or defence of any kind to face so many armed men, with whom they were virtually at war, and of whose fury they were to receive the surrender. At midnight the evacuation was complete save for stragglers, and each fort was in the possession of the garrison numbering literally not more than the proverbial two men and a boy. Mr. Briggs occupied the railway station with five or six men. Marines' coats, eked out with locally obtained cloth, were turned into Union Jacks with the aid of the Chinese, so that the flag was flying wherever necessary before many hours had passed.

The *Pigmy* made record time for this commission. She had gone up cleared for action, and reported to Admiral Seymour about six o'clock in the morning. The *Taku* [?] had followed her to Shan-hai-kwan but as she was probably hidden from observation by some headland, had returned, reporting no sign of the *Pigmy* and the Chinese flag still flying over the forts.

At eight o'clock, the *Pigmy*, a miniature ironclad of 800 tons, was on her way back to Shan-hai-kwan, with fifty *Centurion* seamen aboard. No time was lost in any direction. The reinforcement with its supplies was literally tumbled on board—indeed they drew *Pigmy's* ammunition to save time. She arrived after dark and those on board were surprised to see search lights playing on boats landing men below the forts. With all expedition the *Pigmy* landed her complement of one fort to each Power and the division of the large fort among them all, and alphabetic order in the occupation too, when the history of the *Pigmy* was known to all.

Finally the *Sun* congratulates the Chinese Minister on "the futility of the remarks of his ministerial malinger." Dr. Morrison's remarks are not to be lightly dismissed as futile, and the

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the Purchase of TWO BOILERS removed from H.M.S. "TWEED" which may be seen on the Jetty, Victoria Yard. Tenders marked "BOILERS" are to be lodged with the COMMODORE IN CHARGE not later than NOON on THURSDAY, 8th instant. Boilers will be put into junk by Government.

By Order—

H. SIMMINS,  
Naval Store Officer.H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1900. [2803]

## NOTICE FROM SHANGHAI.

FROM this day HOPKINS' BUTCHERY is again prepared to supply its numerous Patrons in Hongkong in former years with PRIME BEEF, GAME, WILD FOWLS, GAME PIES and BEAVERS, &c. Orders are respectfully solicited.

HOPKINS BUTCHERY,

Shanghai.

Shanghai, 1st November, 1900. [2804]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship  
"SHANSI," Captain Carington, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 7th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1900. [2805]

## THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship  
"MAIDZURU MARU," Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 11th November, at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1900. [15]

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

## FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Belgian Steamship  
"PAX," Captain Damster, will load here as above and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1900. [2807]

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## FOR LONDON (VIA SUEZ CANAL).

THE Company's Steamship  
"ANTENOR," Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 11th December. For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1900. [2808]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains:—

## Leading Articles:—

The Position in China.  
The China Press and Its Assailants.  
The Hunt in Missionary Work.  
The Kwangtung Revolt.  
The Position of the Sanitary Board.

The Crisis Telegrams.  
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The Cross Walls Question.  
Burglaries at Wan Chai.  
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Hongkong, 2nd November, 1900.

## IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

## NOTICE.

WHEREAS the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA'S Premises in Peking have been destroyed by the Rebels and the following UNISSUED NOTES expressed on the face thereof to be payable at its Office in Peking in CHING-PING TSU-YIN currency, have been STOLEN therefrom:—

100,000 Notes of 5 Maces each—

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100,000 Notes of 1 Tael each—

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Nos. 9001 to 20,000.

10,000 Notes of 10 Taels each—

Nos. 9001 to 10,000.

The Public are hereby cautioned against purchasing or dealing in any way with such Notes, as the Bank accept no liability for the same.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

(Sgd) A. W. MAITLAND, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [2456]

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## ENTERTAINMENT.

ORGAN RECITAL,  
UNION CHURCH,  
TO-DAY (MONDAY),  
the 5th November, 1900, at 5.45 P.M.

BY  
M. R. GEORGE GRIMBLE.

1.—Grand Offertoire in G. Major—Lefebvre Wely.

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Variations on Psalm Tune

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1900. [2780]

## AUCTIONS

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.  
No. 529.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 5th day of NOVEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1900. [2763]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale to be held THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 5th day of NOVEMBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Hung Hom, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN for one further term of 75 Years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Site.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Hung Hom Island Lot No. 227	Hung Hom, Lo Lung Hang	50°	40°	150°	(165° 20')	8,470	98	2,513

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			N.	S.	E.	W.		*	*
1	Kowloon Island Lot No. 1,111	Yau Ma Ti	110	150	15	10	2,250	30	1,350

## NOTICES OF FIRMS.

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of MR. THOMAS MORGAN BOYD with our Firm CEASED on 31st March, 1900.

BOYD &amp; CO.

Amoy, 31st October, 1900. [2803]

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ADMITTED MR. FRANK SMYTH a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be carried on under the Firm Name of VERNON and SMYTH.

J. Y. V. VERNON,

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1900. [2789]

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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1900. [2801]

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Amoy, 10th October, 1900. [2686]

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1900. [2780]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES.

## HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NEW ISSUE SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that

THE SECOND CALL of \$100 (Three Dollars) per Share has been made and is PAYABLE at the Company's Office, No. 4, Queen's Building, on or before 1st November, 1900.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.&lt;/

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For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 30th October, 1900. [2]

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.  
THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU,"  
Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 7th November.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.  
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1900. [2524]

U.S. MAIL LINE.  
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Nov. 8, at DAYLIGHT.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Dec. 4, at NOON.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Dec. 27, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 8th November, at DAYLIGHT.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point on route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE will have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 15th October, 1900. [3]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO AND BURATTINI UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND HOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamer to ADEN, SUET PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, AFRICAN, L.  
VALPARAISO, SANTIAGO, ETC., etc.

Taking cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship "BIRAGNO,"

Captain Marzani, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th November, at NOON.

At Bombay the steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1900. [7]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA,"  
Captain T. Moore, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 9th November, at 4 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1900. [2587]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA,"

Captain T. Moore, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 9th November, at 4 p.m.

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N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1900. [2586]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,

MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHUSAN,"

Captain C. D. Bonnett, B.E.N., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 10th November, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1900. [1]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE

(Calling at POET DAWIN AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"

Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 15th November, at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which assures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1900. [2739]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "CARLISLE CITY" On 20th Nov. 3,002 Tons.....

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"AMERICA MARU,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 24th November, at NOON, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1900. [3]

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. C. G. F. M. Cradock, at Shanghai.

Algol, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. R. H. Johnston Stewart, at Taku.

Arcturus, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns, 5,000 h.p., Captain J. Starlin, at Shanghai.

Auron, battleship, 11,000 tons, 16 guns, Capt. G. H. Cherry, 16, at Hongkong.

Astraea, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Capt. Alfred W. Paget, at Hongkong.

Aurora, cruiser, 5,000 tons, 12 guns, 5,500 h.p., Capt. E. H. Bayly, at Weihaiwei.

Baffour, battleship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 13,000 h.p., Capt. G. J. S. Warrender, at Taku.

Boreas, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 16 guns, 3,000 h.p., Capt. J. C. Rawle, at Shanghai.

Brisk, sloop, 6 guns, 5,000 h.p., Comdr. Sir B. R. Wray, Bart, at Singapore.

Britannia, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Philip Walmer, at Canton.

Centaur, gunboat, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 13,000 h.p., Capt. J. E. Jellicoe, at Woosung.

Daphne, sloop, 1,410 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p., Comdr. C. Winnicombe-Ingram, at Shanghai.

Dido, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 11 guns, 3,000 h.p., Capt. P. E. Tilford, at Shanghai.

Endymion, cruiser, 5,000 tons, 12 guns, 10,000 h.p., Capt. G. A. Callaghan, at Taku.

Erat, gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. C. Chadwick, at Hankow.

Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. Roger Keyes, at Shanghai.

Firebrand, gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 360 h.p., in reserve, at Hongkong.

Goliath, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Lewis E. Winta, at Shanghai.

Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 3,000 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. G. H. Holden, at Hongkong.

Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. J. G. Armstrong, at Shanghai.

Hermione, cruiser, 4,

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

**LAST XMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCELS.**—Parcels for the United Kingdom, posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 29th November, are due in London about the 16th December, and those posted before 3 p.m. on Friday, the 23rd November, are due in London about the 30th December. Senders of Parcels are requested to post them a few days in advance.

The *Coptic*, with the American Mail left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 30th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 7th proximo.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Hongkay	Miles	Monday, 5th, 8.00 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Glamorganshire	Monday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Nagasaki	Belgian King	Monday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tutiocorin		Registration... 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Sydney	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Kumshuk and Samsui	Tungkong	Papers ..... 10.30 A.M.
Bangkok	Choutai	Letters ..... 11.00 A.M.
Kumshuk and Samsui	Saitkong	Monday, 5th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Shensi	Tuesday, 6th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Lymemoo	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	C. R. de Janeiro	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Munila	Singhing	Registration... 4.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Chelydra	(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 4.45 P.M.)
Manila, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Changela	Letters ..... 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Biseguo	Thursday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tutiocorin	Chusan	Friday, 9th, 11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Bayern	Friday, 9th, 3.00 P.M.
Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra postage 10 cents)	Empress of India	Saturday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C.		Saturday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents)		Letters ..... 11.00 A.M.

## TO-DAY.

Sale of Crown Lands by Public Auction in the Offices of the Public Works Department, at 3 and 3.15 p.m.  
Mr. G. Grimble's Organ Recital, Union Church, at 5.45 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

SATURDAY, 3rd November.

ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer	211
Bank Bills, on demand	211	
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	211	
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	211	
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ON MANILA.—	On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand	14 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA.—	On demand	126
ON HAIPHONG.—	On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK.—	On demand	60
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate	945	
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	50	
BAE SILVER, per oz	207	
OPIUM.	Quotations are— Allowee net to 1 catty.	
Mala New	\$770 to \$780 per picoul.	
Mala Old	\$800 to \$810	
Mala Older	\$830 to \$840	
P. P. per-wrapped	\$850 to —	
Persian fine quality	\$870 to —	
Persian extra fine	\$925 to —	
Fatna New	\$937 to — per chest.	
Banera New	\$930 to —	
Banera Old	— to —	

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

## THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Konig Albert* carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 15th Oct., has left Colombo on Friday, the 2nd inst., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 13th inst.

## THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 10th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 31st ult., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The T. K. K. steamer *America Maru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 17th ult.

## THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Lightning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on Saturday afternoon, the 3rd inst.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. G. I. steamer *Rissoyo* left Singapore for this port on Monday, 29th ult., and may be expected here on or about the 5th inst.

The O. S. S. steamer *Ulysses* left Singapore on the 1st inst., and is expected here on the 6th inst.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kamakura Maru* (Europe Line) left Singapore for this port on Thursday, 1st inst., and is expected here on the 7th inst.

The N. A. L. steamer *Ambria*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 9th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Goodwin* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 16th September.

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## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 2nd November.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	ISSUE V'LEUR.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	30/- div. at 1/11/01—\$15.00 per share for 1st half year 1900	312 p. c. pr.—\$51G, London 55/-
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	100,975	\$28	\$28	None	21
Do. Deferred	1,250	\$21	\$20	38/- for 1899	25 58
National Bank of China, Ltd.	19,970 A	\$20	\$20	38/- for 1899	\$28, sales & buyers
Do. Founders' Shares	20,000 B	\$20	\$20	38/- for 1899	321, buyers
	750 tms.	\$21	\$21	None	320
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Marine Ins. Soc'y, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$20	40/- p. ct.—\$20 for 1893	325, sales & sellers
China Traders Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$33.33	\$22	10/- p. ct.—\$21.50 for 1893	325, sales & sellers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$200	\$22	10/- p. ct.—\$21.50 for 1893	318, 100 ex div. sales
Yangtze Ins. Assocn., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	\$60	36/- per cent. for 1897	319, sellers
Canton Insur. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$50	32/- for 1899	320, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$20	5 per cent. for 1893	31
FIRE INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250	\$50	32/- for 1893	320, sales & sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$20	35/- for 1893	328, sales
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. B. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$12 for half year 1901—Int. of 30/- (40/-) on account of 1900	322, buyers & sellers
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$210	\$210	Op. & 6.52% bonus for 1901	301, buyers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	14,000	\$50	\$50	20 per cent. for 1899	305, sales & sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	12 per cent. for year ending 30/6/01	304, buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$210	\$210	Int. of 3 per cent. on account of 1900	310, buyers
Do. Ordinary	20,000	\$210	\$210	Int. of 5 per cent. on account of 1900	303, buyers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1.05—12 p. ct. for 1899	318, sales
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$21	\$21	Int. of 5 p. cent. on account of 1000	23. ls.
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	Int. of \$21 per share on acc't 1900	312, buyers
Luzon Sugar Refg. Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$3 for 1897	325, buyers
MINE.					
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$8	\$8	None	220, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	\$1	75 cents, sales & buys	220, buyers
Societe Francaise Charbonnages du Tonkin	10,000	\$250	\$250	None	220, buyers
Quonqua Mines, Limited	400,000	25 cts.	25 cts.	9 cents, sellers	220, buyers
Quonqua Mining and Trading Company	45,000	\$5	\$5	5 p. ct. half year end 31/7/94 (coupon 9)	220, buyers
Rauh Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$1	\$1	14/- (1/- 61 cts., 10th div. on 7/7/00)	220, sellers
Oliver's Brochoid Mines, Limited	15,000	\$5	\$5	None	221, sellers
Great Eastern and Central Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	14,000	\$4	\$3	First year	220, sellers
Do. Preferences	70,000	\$1	\$1	40 cents	220, buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES, & COASTS.					
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	12,500	\$125	\$125	Spot & 12 p. ct. bonus for year ended 30/6/01	324 per p.t. = \$800.25
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	Int. of 5 per cent. on account of 1900	324, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	2,600	\$100	\$74	310 per cent. for 1899	361, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$64	\$64	32 per cent. for 1899	320.4
LANDS, HOUSES & BUILDINGS.					
Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	Int. \$3 on account 1900	319, sellers
Kowloon Land & Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$1 for 1899	325
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	Int. \$1.50 on ac't 1900	319, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	10 p. ct. for half year 1901—ended 30/6/1900	318, sellers
Orient's Hotel Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	First year	318, sellers
Humphreys Est. & Fin. Co.	100,000	\$10	\$10	5 per cent. for 1899	317.5